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Addendum

1. In my report of 26 May 1992 (S/23999, para. 60), I informed the Security Council of my conversations earlier that month with President Cristiani and Mr. Handal of the General Command of the Frente Farabundo Martí para la Liberación Nacional (FMLN) about my concerns at both sides' failure to comply fully with the timetable established by the Peace Agreement of 16 January 1992. 1/ As I reported to the Council, both had assured me that they were making efforts to bring back on course the process of implementing the agreements signed by them.

2. It is my pleasure to report to the Security Council that, in discussions conducted in recent days with the assistance of the good offices of the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador (ONUSAL), both parties have now resolved the issues that had delayed the implementation process. Certain of the dates mentioned in the implementation timetable of the Peace Agreement, which had not been complied with, have been readjusted, in accordance with the provisions of the timetable itself.

3. These arrangements, which were finalized on 12 June 1992, provide for the completion of the following steps, envisaged in the Peace Agreement, on the rescheduled dates indicated:

(a) By 25 June, the forces of both sides will have been fully concentrated at the locations designated for them;

(b) By 30 June, the first contingent of former FMLN combatants will commence their reintegration into civilian life. The reintegration process of all former FMLN combatants will be completed by 31 October 1992, as provided for in the timetable;

(c) Within 15 days after 30 June, the National Academy for Public Security will commence its first course for training recruits for the new National Civil Police, including personnel from the present National Police and former FMLN combatants in agreed proportions;

(d) By 30 June, the Government will present to the Legislative Assembly a bill for the definitive abolition of the National Guard and Treasury Police and will establish a "Special Brigade for Military Security" which will consist of a unit for frontier protection duties and a unit for military police duties. The Special Brigade will have no public security responsibilities in the civilian sphere. Personnel of the former National Guard and Treasury Police will not be eligible for recruitment into the new National Civil Police and there will be no further transfers of such personnel into the present National Police;

(e) By 30 June, the Government will propose to the Legislative Assembly reforms to the Electoral Code in order to facilitate the legalization of FMLN as a political party;

(f) By 15 July, the Government will finalize programmes to facilitate the reintegration of the former FMLN combatants into civilian life, providing contingency plans to benefit those who reintegrate before that date;

(g) By 30 June, the verification of the inventory of lands presented by FMLN to the National Commission for the Consolidation of Peace (COPAZ) will commence, certain properties being given priority owing to their being subject to legal process.

4. I should like to express to the Government of El Salvador and to the leadership of FMLN my profound satisfaction at the constructive spirit in which they have resolved the impasse that was holding up progress in the implementation of the Peace Agreement. I am confident that they will continue to demonstrate the same positive and pragmatic approach in the implementation of their remaining commitments under the Agreement.

Notes

1/ S/23501, annex.